

Dear Prof. Crick,

I was extremely happy to learn, that you were awarded the Nobel Prize. I am very late in congratulating you, but I just returned from Caucasus to Moscow, and, as our saying goes, it is better late than never.

Yours is certainly one of the greatest scientific achievements of our century. It was marvellous to follow the development of your ideas from the paper on spiral structures in Journal of Crystallography and up to your experiments on phage T-4.

I am very proud to be the first person in my country who began to lecture on your theory in 1956.

Let us hope, that the practical applications of your theory, which will be certainly of the utmost importance, will contribute not to the detriment, but to the benefit of humanity.

I am very grateful for the preprints you are sending me and hope very much to receive them also in the future.

Kind regards. Yours sincerely

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